



President's Message

The 41st AGM of the Queensland Contract Bridge Club was held on 27 October. The Chairman thanked the Directors who retired, Maurie Cullen and Chris Woolley, and welcomed Judy Perl and Michael Corner to the Board. Both Maurie and Chris will be actively involved in assisting the club. You would all have received the Chairmans' Report for 2006.

There was a very good discussion in general business and the new Board will consider all issues raised. The Chairman indicated that the Board was interested in discussions with any club members prepared to lend the club money. Players could contact the Manager or Chairman. We have a number of loans due to mature for which we need replacement funds. Please help if you can. All loans are confidential and no amount is too small. The new Board had its' first meeting on Monday 19 November. I look forward to 2008 being another successful year for the club. The members are our chief asset and have the deepest appreciation from the Board for their support of the club. The major priority for 2008 is to attract new players and increase attendance at all sessions.

Marion Cooke was responsible for a delightful Inter club teams day on Sunday 11 November and a special thank you to all who assisted her and made the day so special. Claire Hynes and her helpers are doing a wonderful job on the "Bring and Buy".

I regret that I will not be with you for our Christmas Party on December 15. I will be in Canberra attending a meeting

of the ABF Management Committee. I know Toni will see that the party goes well.

Given a choice I would much rather be with the friendly QCBC players.

On behalf of the Board I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Again thank you for a great year !> Keith.



Coming Events

CHRISTMAS PARTY
SATURDAY
15 DECEMBER
1 PM START
FREE GAME FOR ALL
Please bring a plate

RED POINT SESSIONS

THURSDAY AM SWISS PAIRS
DECEMBER 6

TUESDAY 10 AM
DECEMBER 11





NEW YEARS EVE TEAMS
MONDAY 31 DECEMBER.



RESULTS:

PAT WILSON TROPHY P THOMSON & K POPE
WED AM SWISS MILLAR & G TUCKER
WED PM SWISS N HORNER & B RYAN
NOVICE TEAMS M & J SMITH C STONE J BROWN
CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP M COOKE & K ELLAWAY



August

Ron Casey	Local Master
Justin Brown	*Local Master
Patrick Bugler	State Master
Tony Treloar	*State Master
Angelo Gianazza	*National Master
Christopher Woolley	Silver Life Master

September

Margaret Saines	Graduate Master
Ron Kuypers	Club Master
Dulcie Flowers	Local Master
Alan McKenna	Local Master
Ron Casey	*Local Master
Betty HOFFIE	**Local Master
Beverley Watson	Regional Master
Anne Barry	*State Master
Ellen Meldrum	Life Master
Janeen Solomon	Grand Master
Magnus Moren	Silver Grand Master

October

Dulcie Currian	Local Master
Lex Ranke	*National Master



QCBC welcomes new members:

Eric Sutcliffe	Alison Dawson
Mary Turner	Ian Larter

We also, sadly report the deaths of Stan Neave and long time member, Lorna Cameron.

Thanks

Thank you to all members of QCBC who assisted in some way to making the QBA State Open Pairs and QBA State Novice Pairs such a success. A special mention must go to members Kate Donavon and Karen Elmes for assisting in the kitchen. However, a big mention must go to Trish Tavuzzi who organised the supper for the event. Thanks guys.

Kim Ellaway
 Manager
 Queensland Bridge Association



The following article was from *Good Mail* in September.

“Trio of mature, ultra-respectable lady bridge players from Brisbane just back from a European tour were recounting their chilling experience in Scotland last week. Playing a game in the tourist resort of Pitlochry, a dour Scotsman with a solemn expression approached and said, very seriously, “I assume that no money is changing hands as you indulge in this pastime?” Nothing further was said but the Brisbane trio were left with the distinct impression that they could desecrate the Sabbath at their peril.

(Nice to see that our ladies make the papers.)



INTERCLUB TEAMS

The Brisbane Zone runs several events that should involve all Brisbane Clubs. One of these is the GNOT heats and another the Interclub Teams which was initiated to allow all the clubs to get together and have a friendly (but of course competitive) day.

This year it was QCBC’s turn to host the event. Most of the clubs pay the entry fee for their teams and the members are chosen not necessarily for their prowess at the bridge table, but more for



what they contribute to the club as a thank you for their help during the year.

There are three sections – Novice – Intermediate and Advanced. Lunch is provided by the host club together with small prizes for the sectional winners and a trophy for the overall winners.

Our teams this year were:

A Team – Michael Corner, Nick Horner, Keith McDonald and Barbara Ryan

B Team – Kate Donovan, Roz Hero, David Temple and Pam Tink

C Team – Justin Brown, Ron Casey, Alan McKenna, Cheryl Stone

All of our teams acquitted themselves very well with the A Team winning their section and QCBC coming second to Toowong overall.

It was a really lovely day, but only made so by the dedicated people who gave up their whole day to help in the running of the event and it would be remiss of me not to mention them by name. Maurie Cullen directed, Rose worked all day in the kitchen and Jenny Williams provided a magnificent smorgasbord luncheon which was a welcome change from the usual cake and sandwiches, very ably assisted by Annette Hogan, Julia Leung, Judy Perl and Roberta Tait. Cheryl Stone provided some extras for morning and afternoon tea too. Thank you to all those willing helpers.

Marion Cooke



An Interesting Hand

By Keith Bishop

An interesting hand from Saturday 15 September (At least we made it so)

	♠KQJ10	
	♥108	
	♦K7	
	♣AKQJ7	
♠4		♠98762
♥AJ97643		♥Q2
♦5		♦A8
♣10962		♣8543
	♠A53	
	♥K5	
	♦QJ1096432	
	♣	
Dealer W	Vul None	

I was sitting South.

West	opens 3♥. (Oops I forgot we were playing transfers)
North	no bid. (Thinks I will wait and see what happens)
East	4♠ (We have 12 spades. Make it difficult for them)
South (Me)	5♦ (Partner has no spades!!)
West	No bid (I can stop 5 spades)
North	4♦ (I would like to have doubled 4♠)
East	6♠ (We probably do not have any spades)
South	7♦ (I hope partner has AK of diamonds)
West	No bid (Partner – please do not bid 7♠)
North	No bid (I hope you make this. I would have liked the chance to double 6♠)
East	Double ()
Result	7♦ 1 light on spade lead.
Result	6♠ doubled. 10 light on best defense 2600.



A Mother Story

Several months ago, Mum asked me to play in the Club Championships - back then it seemed like a great idea so I happily said yes.

With the Gold Coast Congress just around the corner, the GNOT - which I co-convene the following weekend, my eldest in an Grade 11 Exam Block and my son caddying for the QCBC event (and boys are always boys), I was somewhat distracted for the day HOWEVER I have found the answer to winning such an event.

In the morning session I mis-sorted my hand twice which must have caused two outright bottoms, had my cards turned the wrong way on one board making me play a contract in a way that only I could go down whereas if I claimed there would not have been a problem and then the second last round I revoked and as I was playing against my boss and the QCBC president confessed when I did it - yep another bottom HOWEVER I had a back up - Mum covered all my bottoms with tops and then proceeded to ensure nice play on other boards ensuring us the win for the 2007 year. I believe Mum has won the event before, however this year has



probably been her best - winning many different events with many different partners. Well done Mum - oh by the way Mum is Marion Cooke.

>> Kim Ellaway

> Manager Queensland Bridge Association



Melbourne Cup Day



It was a very enjoyable day of bridge at the club. Members arrived with lots of lovely food for lunch and there was plenty of champagne and orange juice. Melbourne Cup sweeps, spot prizes, prizes for the best hat and the drawing of the raffle all added to the fun. Many thanks to all those members who worked hard at the club before and during the day and to those who contributed little gifts for use on the day.

Val Ferguson and Bev Watson scored a measly 74.10% for the day.

QCBC would also like to thank these local businesses for donating prizes to our raffle:

- the Terry White Chemist at Buranda Centro
- Liquor Legends at Buranda Centro
- Café Essence in Tottenham St, opposite the Buranda Centro shopping centre.

We encourage members to use these businesses which have so readily given us their support.



Members Advertisements

Crematorium niches: Double niche @ Mt Thompson good location \$1,700
Phone: Rosemary 3848 1965



PLEASE let the office know if you have a new PHONE NUMBER!!!

STAMPS & COINS

Do you have stamps and/or coins you would like valued or sold?

Contact me (David Temple) on 0428 450 616 or at QCBC and leave a phone number.



Be a Good Sport (from the NSWBA Ethics Information)

Play tough but fair

Play tough, be competitive, but be a good sport.

- Be pleasant to the opponents (and partner). Welcome new opponents to your table. Don't conduct lengthy post-mortems.
- Don't stare at opponents, their cards, or where in their hand they lay a card from.
- If you think an experienced opponent may have done something inappropriate, speak privately to the official recorder.
- Slow players – make the effort to catch up; it's not fair to use more than your share of the clock, and finishing late disrupts the schedule. Claim if it's clear.



Help!

If you have any bridge related photos the editor would be very happy to put them in the newsletter so either email them to her or you can give Toni the photo and we will scan it and return it to you. Thanks.



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